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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln No.: 10/697,402

Confirmation No. 7259

Filed: October 29, 2003

Applicant(s): AKASHE, et al.

Title: METHOD OF DEFLAVORING WHEY  
PROTEIN

Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: Weier, Anthony J.

Attorney Docket: 77016

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Attorney for Applicant(s)**TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

- ☐ An Appendix including amended drawing figures labeled as "Annotated Marked-up Drawings" is enclosed.
- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time for reply is attached.
- ☒ No Petition for Extension of Time is required.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer(s) is enclosed together with a fee payment sheet.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.

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	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	1	3	**= 0	x \$ 200.00 =	\$ 0.00
Total Claims	23	32	* = 0	x \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$ 360.00	\$ 0.00
** At least 3			Total Additional Fee		\$ 0.00

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Application No. 10/697,402  
Transmittal of Amendment dated March 3, 2006  
Reply to Office Action of Dec. 28, 2005

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	) Attny. Dkt.: 77016
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Serial No.: 10/697,402	) Group Art Unit: 1761
	)
Filed: October 29, 2003	) Examiner: Weier, Anthony J.
	)
For: METHOD OF DEFLAVORING	)
WHEY PROTEIN	)

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2005,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.